IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or a stereoisomer of formula I

$$R_{2}$$
 $X-G$ X

I

wherein

R₁ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, alkenyl or substituted alkenyl, cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkyl, arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl, and CH₂OR₄;

R₂ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, alkenyl or substituted alkenyl, arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl, aryl or substituted aryl, heterocyclo or substituted heterocyclo, heteroaryl or substituted heteroaryl, and CH₂OR₄;

R₃ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, CH₂OR₄, OR₂, SR₂, halo, NHR₂, NHCOR₄, NHCO₂R₄, NHCONR₄R₄', and NHSO₂R₄;

R₄ and R₄' for each occurrence are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, alkenyl or substituted alkynyl, alkynyl or substituted alkynyl, cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkyl, arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl, aryl or substituted aryl, heterocyclo or substituted heterocyclo, and heteroaryl or substituted heteroaryl;

G is selected from:

wherein

R₈, R₉, R₁₀, and R₁₁ are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen (H), NO₂, CN, CF₃, OR₄, CO₂R₄, NR₄R₄', CONR₄R₄', CH₂OR₄, alkyl or substituted alkyl, alkenyl or substituted alkenyl, alkynyl or substituted alkynyl, cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkyl, arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl, aryl or substituted aryl, and heteroaryl or substituted heteroaryl;

A to F is each independently selected from N or CR₁;

J, K, L, P, and Q are each independently selected from NR_{12} , O, S, SO, SO₂, or $CR_{12}R_{12}$; R_{12} and R_{12} in each functional group are each independently selected from a bond or R_1 ; and m is an integer of 0 or 1;

X is a linking group selected from the group consisting of NR₄ and CHR₄;

Y is selected from the group consisting of O, NR₄, NOR₄, S, and CH₂;

Z is -O- or NR₄; and

n is an integer of 1;

with the following provisos:

- (a) when Y is NOR₄, R₄ is not hydrogen;
- (b) excluding compounds where the following occur simultaneously:

R₁ is methyl;

X is NH;

Y is O or S; and

Z is O;

(c) excluding compounds where the following occur simultaneously:

R₁ is methyl;

X is NH;

Z is O;

Y is NR₄;

R₄ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, alkenyl or substituted alkenyl, cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkyl, arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl, aryl or substituted aryl, and heteroaryl or substituted heteroaryl; and

G has the following structure:

$$\left\{\begin{array}{c|c} A \\ \hline \\ R_{1} \end{array}\right\}$$

wherein

R₁₃ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, cyano (-CN), nitro (-NO₂), halo, heterocyclo, OR₁₄, CO₂R₁₅, CONHR₁₅, COR₁₅, S(O)_pR₁₅, SO₂NR₁₅R₁₅', NHCOR₁₅, and NHSO₂R₁₅;

R₁₄ in each functional group is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, CHF₂, CF₃, and COR₁₅;

R₁₅ and R₁₅' in each functional group are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl or substituted alkyl, alkenyl or substituted alkynyl, alkynyl or substituted alkynyl, cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl or substituted heterocycloalkyl, arylalkyl or substituted arylalkyl, aryl or substituted aryl, heteroaryl or substituted heteroaryl, and -CN;

A and B are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, cyano(-CN), nitro(-NO₂), alkyl or substituted alkyl, and OR₁₄; and p is an integer from 0 to 2.

- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Previously Presented) The compound as defined in claim 1 wherein R₈ is CN.
- 4. (Original) The compound as defined in claim 1 wherein R₁ is hydrogen or alkyl;R₂ is hydrogen or alkyl;

R₃ is hydroxyl; X is NR₄; Y is O; Z is O; and n is 1

- 5. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound as defined in claim 1 and a phramaceutically acceptable carrier therefore.
- 6. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition as defined in claim 5 further comprising a growth promoting agent.
- 7. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound as defined in claim 1 and at least one additional therapeutic agent selected from the group consisting of parathyroid hormone, bisphosphonates, estrogen, testosterone, progesterone, selective estrogen receptor modulators, growth hormone secretagogues, growth hormone, progesterone receptor modulators, anti-diabetic agents, anti-hypertensive agents, anti-inflammatory agents, anti-osteoporosis agents, anti-obesity agents, cardiac glycosides, cholesterol lowering agents, anti-depressants, anti-anxiety agents, anabolic agents, and thyroid mimetics.
- 8. (Previously Presented) A method for treating prostate cancer which comprises administering to a mammalian species in need of treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as defined in claim 1.
 - 9. (Canceled)